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AT NOVEMBER 25 MEETING WITH EMBOFF, OFFICIALS OF MITI'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY BUREAU (AMERICA-OCEANIA SECTION) AND HEAVY INDUSTRY BUREAU (IRON AND STEEL ADMINISTRATION SECTION) EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER POSSIBILITY PROTRACTED US COAL STRIKE AND ASKED EMBASSY TO INFORM DEPARTMENT OF GOJ WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE CLOSELY WITH ANY MEASURES USG DEEMS NECESSARY IN DEALING WITH SHORT SUPPLY PROBLEMS LIKELY TO ARISE SHOULD UMW STRIKE PROVE LENGTHY. MITI REPS NOTED THAT JAPAN DEPENDS ON US FOR 30 PERCENT OF ITS COKING COAL IMPORTS AND REQUESTED ADVANCE CONSULTATION WITH USG IN EVENT EXPORT RESTRICTIONS CONTEMPLATED. MITI ALSO REQUESTED CLARIFICATION OF APPARENT DISCREPANCY BETWEEN INFO CONTAINED REFTEL, WHICH INDICATES U.S. EXPORTERS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT WEEKLY REPORTS OF PROJECTED EXPORTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SIX MONTHS, AND A REPORTED NOVEMBER 22 ANNOUNCEMENT BY COMMERCE THAT WEEKLY REPORTS SHOULD PROVIDE EXPORT PROJECTIONS ONLY UP TO END FEB. 1975. THIS NOVEMBER 22 ANNOUNCEMENT WAS REPORTED TO MITI VIA JAPANESE EMBASSY WASHINGTON CABLE WHICH CONTAINS NO FURTHER IDENTIFYING

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